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FOR A WEIGHTED MODEL TO CONDUCT PROPENSITY  
STUDIES  
EXAMINER: Calvin L. Hewitt II GROUP ART UNIT 3621  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**  
**TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 19, 2004 regarding the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.